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1. I can recall two factories in the USSR which manufactured grinding wheels; one was located in Moscow, the other in Zaporozhe. All Soviet grinding wheels were produced in these two plants, but possibly there were other factories which manufactured them. The details or production figures of these plants are unknown to me. Zaporozhe was a new plant built in the middle or late 1930's, but the Moscow plant had possibly been in operation for 20 years.
2. There was always a shortage of grinding wheels in the USSR, especially the finer types (#45 and lower). Factories always had several machines idle because of insufficient grinding wheels. Each grinding machine built at the Molotov factory was supplied with an extra grinding wheel, and we were often unable to ship machines for two months because of an insufficient supply of grinding wheels. Grinding wheel production did not increase at the same rate as machine production.
3. Soviet factories were able to make all types and sizes of grinding wheels, but never in sufficient quantities. I cannot remember what numbers or what percentage of grinding wheels used in the USSR were imported, but the imported grinding wheels were always of considerably superior quality. They were imported from Germany, the UK, and possibly Switzerland.

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